

THE LEDGER.

THURSDAY, JAN. 19, 1888.

Barton County has gone dry by a majority of seven.

Mrs. Frazier, mother of J. D. and Will Frazier, is very ill.

J. T. Hickman has our thanks for late Kentucky papers.

Assessor McLean has finished his book and turned it over to the County Clerk.

A marriage license was Tuesday granted John W. Hammett and Miss Minnie Miller.

The lowest temperature recorded yesterday was 16 degrees below at 7 a. m., the coldest this winter.

A young son of Wm. Greer, at Thompson, died of pneumonia Sunday and was buried at 11 a. m., Monday.

The city meat market places us under renewed obligations. We will get through the winter yet if our friends stick to us.

Joseph Murray and son, Walter, leave for California Sunday night. They will locate there and send for their families if they like it.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Liberty Street M. E. Church will take place next Sabbath. Rev. T. J. Wheat, presiding elder, will preach at night.

Postmaster Saunders' time expired Monday. It is presumed that Mr. Woodward's commission will be received in time for him to take charge of the office within a month.

P. W. Harding desires us to State that the farmer who sold him the "stuffed" turkeys was not one of his regular customers, but a man who never traded with him before.

Charles Riorden died at his home on West Jackson street Tuesday, of chronic diarrhoea, aged 75 years. The funeral took place from the Catholic Church at 11 a. m., Wednesday.

Married, on Thursday, January 12, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Joseph Shock's, Mr. Thos. Cleaton and Miss Lizzie Shock, all of Audrain, Eld. W. J. Jesse, officiating.

Crittenden Powell, a former resident of this city, died at his home in Moberly Sunday. The remains were interred in the Powell cemetery north of town Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

J. W. Mason has been made a splendid offer from the house he was long connected with which he is considering. He is one of the best traveling men ever on the road and always commands a good salary.

Wm. Chambers died suddenly at Benton City Saturday afternoon. The funeral took place from the Catholic church in this city Monday, at 2 o'clock, the remains interred in the Catholic cemetery.

J. A. Potts, president of the State Board of Agriculture, went to Columbia this Tuesday, to be present at a meeting of the Board there Tuesday. The object of the meeting is to adjust alleged difficulties in the management of the State farm.

The world-wide reputation of Ayer's Hair Vigor is due to its healthy action on the hair and scalp. This incomparable preparation restores the original color to gray and faded hair, and imparts the gloss and freshness so much desired by all classes of people.

The meetings at the Promenade Street Baptist and Methodist Churches and at the Liberty-St. M. E. Church are still in progress. They will be continued nightly until further notice. Rev. John Anderson of Carrollton, is here to assist at the Promenade Street M. E. Church.

Miss Ida Johnson, of Centralia, and Mr. John W. Beagles, of this county, were married at the home of the bride Wednesday evening by Rev. M. Johnson. The bridal party will at once vent to the home of the groom northeast of this city. A reception will be given at the residence of James M. Beagles Thursday night.

John Cave has bought Huetts' shoe store and will continue the business at the same old stand. John is a steady, industrious and clever young business man who will receive his share of the public patronage. We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Huetts from Mexico.

While in our city they have made many warm friends who wish them success wherever they may locate. The following gentlemen are members of the Missouri Trotting Association in this county: C. F. Clark, W. R. Carter, J. A. Potts, Green Clay, R. M. White, R. E. Hisey, J. N. Luckie, R. W. Edmonston, Joe W. Henderson, Wm. Pollock, Wood Maddox, E. R. Cunningham, A. M. Harrison, J. R. Baker, John C. Hinman and S. E. Kendall. The membership is being added to daily.

Married, on January 12, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Centralia, by Rev. C. H. McDermott, of Mexico, Mr. Edward Reed to Miss Nancy Butler, daughter of J. W. Rutter; all of Audrain county. After the marriage ceremony and general congratulations, the large company partook of a sumptuous repast, followed by a very enjoyable evening by both old and young, after which the company bade the happy couple adieu with many wishes for their future happiness.

MUCH INTEREST.

But a Rather Small Attendance at the Railroad Meeting Tuesday Afternoon.

Owing, probably, to the cold weather there was not a very large attendance at the railroad meeting Tuesday. The court room was comfortably filled with business men, only a sprinkling of farmers was noticed among the audience. The report of the committee on right of way was made by Mr. A. C. Hitt. He reported what had been done by the committee in the way of securing rights of way, his report being, in substance, the same as was printed in the LEDGER upon the return of the party several days ago. The report of the committee was received and the gentlemen given further time. Mr. Dobyns, a member of the committee, said it was the understanding that the same body would visit the country on the line of the road north of this city as soon as the weather would permit. He was sure there would be no difficulty in securing the right of way and good money subscriptions.

Ex-Gov. Hardin addressed the meeting. He thought there had not been as much enthusiasm manifested in this railroad matter as a matter of this sort deserved. He thought there should be more interest taken. He believed the only way to secure the road was to obtain the right of way and the bonus asked. The proposition was a liberal one and should not be allowed to go by unaccepted. He had understood that Centralia had assumed a subscription of \$75,000 to the new line. It would ruin Mexico if this road goes north of us ten miles and passes through the town on the west.

Speeches in the same strain were made by Col. Lewis Ford, J. H. Haydon, W. B. McIntire and A. C. Hitt. Gov. Hardin was appointed on the soliciting committee, after which the meeting adjourned for two weeks, the next to be held Tuesday, January 31, at 1 p. m. A big railroad meeting in the interest of the C. H. & S. was held in Hannibal last night. Other towns on the line will hold meetings this week.

Mr. H. D. Hunter, architect, of this city, is now at work on the plans for Ferris' new Grand Opera House, the foundation of which is already laid. Work will be resumed on the structure by March 1, and Mr. Hunter, who is to be superintendent of construction, thinks it will be completed early in July. The stage will be 40x30x20 feet; ceiling 26 feet with dome in the center. There will be three balconies. The main entrance will be on Washington street, through the McKean building. An inclined plane will be used instead of a stairway, affording easy means of egress in case of fire. The building is to be lighted by electricity and heated by steam. When completed, Mexico will have two of the prettiest theatres in the State.

Social Gathering.
One of the prettiest social affairs of the year was the party given by Mrs. Mattie Brown, on East Promenade street last evening, to Messrs. C. D. Rodgers and A. B. Smith. The guests remained until a late hour, and the occasion was voted one of the most enjoyable of the season. Those present were as follows: Misses Maggie Bryan, Cary Woodward, Polly Bryan, May Ross, Linnie Allison, Etta Ross, Linnie Steele, Annie Spence, Katie Hitt, Belle Morris, Olivia Ford, Allie Morris, Anna Martineau, of Louisiana, and Miss Jennie Brown. Messrs. Frank Castoworth, Dr. Reed, H. F. Woodward, Dr. Cave, C. B. Bryan, J. G. Trimble, E. S. Wilson, S. M. Locke, B. F. Dobyns, E. R. Cunningham, A. B. Smith, C. D. Rodgers, J. F. Luckie, Morrison Lackland, F. Jesse and W. S. Masby and wife.

"Did you see Chanfrau in 'Kit, the Arkansas Traveler' last week?" asked a theatrical man of a LEDGER reporter. "Well, I don't suppose you or any one in the audience knew that the music of the 'Arkansas Traveler' in the first act came from behind the scenes and not from the instrument the actor sawed so industriously. I talked with Chanfrau while here and he told me he had tried every way to learn the tune but he couldn't do it, for that portion of the performance he had always to depend on someone on the outside."

Mr. Nancy E. McKinney, of Camden Point, Platt Co., died yesterday morning at her home. The funeral took place there to-day. Deceased was a sister of D. M. Hill and mother of Mrs. Wm. Dowell, who live north of this city. Mr. Hill and Mrs. Dowell were present from attending the funeral by missing their railway connection.

S. E. Thomas, wife and three daughters, who have lately moved to Mexico from Decatur, Ill., and now have charge of the Ringo Hotel, will make Mexico their permanent home. Last Sunday they all united with the M. E. Church, South, by letter.

H. Easter and J. W. Mason have dissolved partnership. Mr. Easter remaining in charge of the establishment. Mr. Mason retires on account of ill health in his family, which necessitates an extended trip in a milder climate.

The case of W. O. Johnson, of this city, against R. W. Goldsby et al, Charlton county, in the Supreme Court, has been transferred to the Kansas City Court of Appeals.

Inducements Extraordinary!

We take pleasure in announcing the fact that we have placed before the people the largest and handsomest line of OVERCOATS in all sizes and qualities ever brought to this market. Our SUITS for dress and business are equally as fine and durable. We certainly offer the best inducements in boys and children's wear.

When we say we can save you money by buying your CLOTHING and GENTS FURNISHING GOODS we mean it, for we know we do so every day. We are at all times glad to see you. Should you need anything, and we believe you will, we can certainly suit you in style, quality and, above all, low prices.

Joe & Vic Barth,

North Side of Square.

Circuit Court opens Monday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Caution, a girl.

A. B. Cluster has concluded to locate in California.

T. J. Daniel was down from Thompson to-day.

Luther Benson is lecturing to crowded houses in Moberly.

"In Memory of Little Everett Burns" will appear in our next issue.

The Thompson Station sick are all improving. John M. Daniel is convalescent.

Will Smith returned yesterday from Boone County, accompanied by R. L. Turner.

Hillary Bush, a prominent citizen of Centralia, made us a pleasant call this week.

Charley Blain and J. T. Saunders, of Vandahia, were up on business the first of the week.

Don't fail to see the boot and shoe ad. of John Cave. Call and see goods and get prices.

The Stoddard Society will meet with Mrs. James McKee Thursday afternoon on East Liberty street.

The bridge is completed but not yet open for travel, as some filling as required on both ends before it can be safely opened.

W. H. Bassett, a popular Parisian, was in Mexico this afternoon en route home from Fulton. He reports Paris booming.

David Creigh, a young man well known here, died at his home near Santa Fe yesterday of dropsy. The funeral occurred to-day.

The sidewalks of the South Side need cleaning. Snow has been allowed to accumulate until several inches are now packed on the bricks.

Audrain Baptist Institute will meet with the Mexico Baptist church on Friday evening at 7 p. m., Jan. 27, and continue until Sunday following.

Col. Wm. Waddingham is in the city looking after business matters. "Uncle Billie" is looking ten years younger, and says he is enjoying excellent health.

There are fourteen Christian churches in this county with a total membership of 1600. The Mexico church leads with 420 members, Salt River next with 192.

J. W. Beagles, who lives northeast of Mexico, was married to Miss Ida Johnson, at Centralia last evening by Rev. Mr. Johnson. An extended notice will be given next week.

Probate Court.
The following additional proceedings have been had in the probate court:

Final settlements in the estates of Amos Ladd, M. Selby, Annie B. Boyd, Thos. McCarty, John Schumacher, L. Palmer and John Skelly.

Annual settlements in the cases of S. E. Thomas, A. C. Guthrie, John Hodges, Ella Rice and the Marion heirs.

Order of sale of land was made in matter of Louis Brand.

Stock Notes.
Wallace & Dowell shipped to St. Louis Monday one car of hogs. Tomp Fry shipped one car of butcher cattle of his own feed to St. Louis Monday.

R. C. Graham shipped four cars of cattle to Chicago Monday. Northern & Edmonston will ship a car of fat calves to St. Louis to-night.

Notice to Road Overseers.
The road overseers of Prairie, Linn, Loure and Cuivre townships are requested to meet with the County Court for settlement on Tuesday, February 7; and those of Salt River, North and South Union and Saling townships on Wednesday, February 8. This will give all more time and less confusion.

By Request of Co. COURT.
Clark & Potts' Combination Sale, Feb. 14 and 15, 1888.

We are receiving entries to our Combination Sale to be held the above dates, and all parties who have a surplus of horse stock can now have a place in our book, which will be open until the 25th of January, at which date the list will be made up for publication. CLARK & POTTS.

A TURKEY TRICK.

A New Swindling Scheme For a Few Cents—Must be a Mistake.

A prominent farmer, living southwest of Mexico, has been playing it pretty fine on one of our Mexico merchants, or is suffering from a practical joke. One day last week this farmer sold P. W. Harding 10 turkeys and Harding sold 10 of them and took one home for his own use. The one he took home contained about two pounds of gizzard, heads and other rot put in to make it weigh. Four others have been reported back to Mr. Harding all loaded the same way. As the customers report to Mr. Harding he makes up the loss.

Whether the farmer will make it up to Harding or not we are unable to say. We have before us the "stuff" taken from one of these turkeys bought by J. C. Shepherd, who says he wants to stuff his own turkeys. It consists of two turkey heads, a neck, a gizzard, joints of legs and eleven bones, all packed on the inside to make it weigh heavy. This is a new scheme to swindle and we don't think it will work again. The farmer who sold the turkeys has always had a good reputation and we hope his turkeys were stuffed without his knowledge. Knowing him as we do we are sure there must be some mistake and some one must have been playing a joke on him or put up a job to ruin his reputation.

A Meeting of Mothers.
At the meeting of mothers of this city held Monday afternoon, a very interesting paper on "Dress and Vice" was read by Mrs. Wilburn.

Mrs. C. H. McDermott read a leaflet, entitled, "The Wax Candle."

Mrs. G. B. Macfarlane then offered the following queries, which closed the programme:

How are children (particularly boys) to be prevented from breaking the Sabbath; or, what amendments are to be allowed them that day?

How are boys to be entertained in the evenings at home, so as to prevent them from going or wanting to go away from home?

Should card playing at home be encouraged or permitted?

Should dancing at home be anywhere else be permitted?

These meetings are to be continued and will be held the second Monday in each month.

A Democratic Congress.
It was a Democratic Congress that passed the Interstate Commerce bill.

It was a Democratic Congress that passed the arrears pension bill.

It was a Democratic Congress that enacted a law to pension veterans of the Mexican war.

It was a Democratic Congress that passed a law prohibiting the contract of alien labor.

It was a Democratic Congress that enacted a law permitting the incorporation of trades unions.

It was a Democratic Congress that enacted a law providing for the redemption of the trade dollar.

It was a Democratic Congress that enacted a law for the protection of American fishermen.

It was a Democratic Congress that enacted a law prohibiting the employment of convict labor by Federal officers.

It was a Democratic Congress that forever settled the electoral count business by giving each State power to say for whom its votes should be cast.

It was a Democratic Congress that established a tribunal for trying suits against the government instead of crowding them into the hands of lobbyists.

It was a Democratic Congress that repealed the tenure of office act enacted by a Republican Congress, for partisan purposes, in violation of the constitution.

It was a Democratic Congress that restored to the public domain 60,000,000 acres of land granted railroad corporations by the Republican party unearned. Officer Marshall is again on the police force after a month's illness.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION

Next Monday Night at the A. O. U. W. Hall in this City.

The A. O. U. W. lodge of Mexico has a public installation of officers next Monday night. Grand Master Workman Rogers will be present and deliver an address. The installation will be at the hall and the public is cordially invited to be present. Some of the best local talent in Mexico will furnish music, and we think all who attend will enjoy the exercises. No admission fee will be charged at the hall and the public is invited to be present at 7:30 next Monday night.

AT THE A. O. U. W. HALL.
Committee on arrangements—Dr. Lemmon, R. W. Allison, W. C. Johnson.
Committee on programme—R. M. White, W. B. McIntire, E. S. Frost.

There will also be a big banquet at the Windsor Hotel, in connection with the installation exercises, and a committee of three, composed of Dr. W. L. Reed, B. B. Runkle and R. M. White, was appointed to look after the matter.

Neighboring lodges are all invited to be with the Mexico lodge on this occasion.

The following telegram was received from Grand Master Workman Rogers to-day.

To R. H. Kernan, Mexico, Mo.
St. Louis, Jan. 17.—Will be there sure. H. L. ROGERS.

RUSH HILL RACKET.

Correspondence of the Ledger.
RUSH HILL, Jan. 17.—Messrs. Green and Maxwell shipped to-day a load of fine mules to St. Louis.

Mr. Beagles shipped a load of cattle.

Wm. Ray, of Madison county, Ill., was here last week on business. Rev. Jones failed to fill his appointment to preach here Sunday night.

The young folks of the Hill and vicinity had a grand sleigh-ride out to Mr. Gray's, three miles south, where they had a very enjoyable time.

Several of the merchants of late having missed small articles from their counters, finally found that the suspicion rested on a young man living some four miles in the country. He was in town one night last week and a consultation was held to determine what should be done. Some thought he ought to be arrested, but the majority were more charitable and thought he should be considered a kleptomaniac. The young man concluded that all was not right and at a late hour of the night, started for home. Our citizens were surprised to hear queer sounds in our usually quiet town, and looking out of their windows their eyes rested upon a unique crowd, one man about 50 yards ahead and the crowd following yelling at the top of its voice and occasionally a shot was fired which served to have the desired effect to facilitate his speed. The last sounds heard in the distance were the clatter of the villain's rough-shod hoofs over the frozen ground.

Food for stock is becoming very scarce in this vicinity. Hay is worth \$8 per ton; oats, 27 cents and corn 50 cents.

What is the matter with the correspondents of the Laddonia Herald? Each one seems to be called on to expose or criticize the other.

Chas. Maxwell has been quite sick for several days.

Mrs. Botts, who is sick at her father's house, S. E. Kendall, is not expected to recover.

Mr. Green has bought Maxwell's interest in our drug store and employed John Pike prescription clerk.

MAPLE GROVE MUSINGS.

Correspondence of the Ledger.
MAPLE GROVE, January 18.—R. W. Martin is laid up for repairs from an accidental fall.

Mrs. Niedershute is quite ill.

Mrs. Wm. Kombrink is dangerously ill from the effects of a splinter run into the thick part of her thumb.

Wm. Crensy is still confined to his bed.

Ed. Jacobs shipped his cattle to Chicago last week, and delivered his hogs to Mr. Jones this week.

John Miller is rusticiating in Tennessee, and Sidney Smith, lately from Virginia, has taken his place at Judge Sholl's.

Mrs. Joel Gard is ill at her sister's, near Rush Hill.

Miss Ollie Canterbury is visiting her sister, Mrs. Carrie Ellis.

There was a candy pulling at the residence of Wm. Lewis last Wednesday evening. Those present pronounce it a very enjoyable event.

A magnificent ice crop has been harvested in this vicinity.

Cliff Black killed some young turkeys of the bronze variety which dressed 18 pounds each.

We all sympathize with Prof. S. D. Dawson and his school in the loss of their school house and books, by fire last week.

Grand Cash Slaughter Sale!

Boots, Shoes & Rubbers,

AT GRIFFEE'S SHOE STORE.

FROM SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th.

We will offer all WINTER GOODS at wholesale prices for CASH for 30 days only. All winter goods MUST go. Now is the time for BARGAINS. Our loss is your gain. Come early; these prices will soon close them out. Here are a few of our MANY BARGAINS:

Ladies' Croquet Rubbers. 25
Self-acting fleece-lined Alaska. 50
Good Arctic. 65
\$1 75 Goat Button now. 1 25
1 75 Dongola Button now. 1 25
1 75 Calf Button now. 1 25
1 75 Calf Lace now. 1 25
1 00 Heavy Shoes now. 1 25
2 25 Oil Goat Button now. 1 75
2 25 Fine Kid Button now. 1 75
3 00 Fine Kid Button now. 2 50

Men's Rubber Overshoes. 35
Automatic Arctic. 60
\$2 50 Rubber Boots, wool or not lined. 1 75
Boys' Rubber Boots. 1 50
Men's \$3 00 Oil Grain Boots, now. 2 50
3 00 Kip Boots now. 2 50
2 25 Kip Boots now. 1 75
3 75 Best Kip Boots, all hand work, second to none. 3 00
Boys' whole-stock Boots. 1 25
(Bring these prices with you when you come to buy.)

Our entire stock marked down below all competition. If you want to save money go to Griffiee's Shoe Store, North Side Public Square.

LADDONIA LACONICS.

Correspondence of the Ledger.
LADDONIA, Mo., Jan. 16.—Last Wednesday night the young ladies of Laddonia got up a Leap Year party out at Mr. Joe Gelvin's. They expected a pleasant time when they arrived there, but were agreeably disappointed to find tables spread with the best of eatables and supper served in excellent style. Mr. and Mrs. Gelvin, assisted by Miss Ione Hazen, made the party a success and very enjoyable to all present. The ladies got two big sleds and went as follows: Miss Mollie Clem, John Brown; Miss Lizzie Bruton, M. Williams; Miss Maggie Torreyson, James Brown; Miss Ida Spencer, C. Lovell; Miss Onie Hampton, Grant Deal; Miss Lillie Womack, E. Brown; Miss Nola Pearson, John Underwood; Miss Laura Pierce, Noah Mitchell; Miss Jessie Barton, H. Logan; Miss Lennie Hawkins, George Blum. We failed to get the description of the costumes worn, but their wraps were of the latest improved buffalo robes and toboggans. They all claimed it was the merriest party of the season.

Last Sunday the M. E. Church was dedicated, Rev. L. M. Kurl, of Glasgow, preaching the dedicatory sermon. He is an excellent speaker, and he gave one of the most logical sermons we ever listened to. His subject was the "Influence of Christianity Over the World." There was a debt of \$311 on the building, bell, etc., and the whole amount was raised and the church stands free of debt. The singing was led by Prof. Lake, of Louisiana, and was excellent. The Professor is here to organize a singing class, and we wish him success. The series of meetings conducted by Rev. M. Jones is still continuing. There have been two additions to the church.

Mrs. Nellie Barr, of Perry, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Reed, who has been quite sick, but is now better. ANNIE LAURIE.

BEAVER DAM ITEMS.

Correspondence of the Ledger.
BEAVER DAM, January 17.—D. M. Roberts has built a large ice house which he is filling.

Beaver Dam school has again commenced with a full attendance. The scholars had a two weeks holiday rest from their studies which will give them zeal to take hold and improve their time from now on during the rest of the term.

We learn that Mr. James Robinson, near Prairie View, has sold his farm to Mr. Ed. Hearty, and is now looking around in Nebraska to settle, but we hope he won't leave us as we need just such substantial citizens.

The architects of Beaver Dam in a general way predict a boom here in the spring, and if there be anything against it the influences have not as yet made themselves apparent.

The singing at the residence of E. H. Dicus last Saturday night was greatly enjoyed by all present. Among those present were Misses Fannie Holman and Cora Farrar, of Prairie View.

We are glad to note from the LEDGER of January 5, that the next Northeast Missouri Teachers' Convention will be held in Mexico. Although it is some time before this meeting, we desire every teacher on Beaver Dam and in Audrain County to keep this meeting in view.

Look out for these organizations they call Leap Year Associations. Boys, keep your eyes peeled.

HICKORY GROVE ITEMS.

Correspondence of the Ledger.
HICKORY GROVE, Mo., January 18.—Mr. Edgar Marshall, of Molino, was visiting W. T. Marshall and T. T. Allen last week.

John Carter is very ill of pneumonia.

Leslie Craighhead is convalescing. Uncle Perry Cox is on the sick list.

Geo. Carter has the pneumonia. Dr. John Points was seriously injured by his horse falling on him, the brute at the same time time striking the doctor in the breast with his head.

John Stealy sold a bunch of hogs at \$4.50 per hundred.

I. F. Coons returned from St. Louis last night.

MARTINSBURG MUSING.

Correspondence of the Ledger.
MARTINSBURG, Mo., Jan. 18.—Mrs. Jeff. Cunningham is very ill. Miss Nora Dunn has the pneumonia.

Charlie Spire's 4-year-old boy is very sick of diphtheria. T. B. Vaughn is not much improved.

Miss Jennie Selleck returned from a visit to Kansas City last week and took charge of her music class.

Our literary society is fast improving under the pressure of local politicians and statesmen. The Mexican war was resolved not justifiable last Friday night, and as a consequence, a death blow to pensions. Question for next week is local option. We expect a rousing big time and will report same to you.

G. P. Romans has sold one of his handsome residences in the burg to a German from Osage.

Jos. Boyd and S. R. Dyer are receiving stock hogs at the burg this week. They shipped 154 to Carroll County Tuesday. McD.

UNION PICK-UPS.